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## **USW Ratifies New Contract at Hawesville, Kentucky Smelter**

### **Five-Year Agreement Effective Through April 1, 2020**

CHICAGO, IL -- (Marketwired) -- 06/12/15 -- Century Aluminum of Kentucky General Partnership (the "Company"), a subsidiary of Century Aluminum Company (NASDAQ: CENX) ("Century"), announced today that a new, five-year collective bargaining agreement was ratified by the United Steelworkers Local 9423 on June 11, 2015 for the Company's Hawesville, Kentucky smelter. The new contract is effective today through April 1, 2020.

"We welcome this positive development for the smelter, its entire workforce and the community," commented Mike Bless, CEO and John Hoerner, SVP North American Operations. "Century's employees have always been and will always be a critical part of our success. We now look forward to working with everyone who shares our commitment to make the Hawesville plant the safest and most productive business it can be."

Workers will return to their regular shifts beginning Monday, June 15 at 7 a.m.

#### **About Century Aluminum**

Century Aluminum Company owns primary aluminum capacity in the United States and Iceland. Century's corporate offices are located in Chicago, IL.

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